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Appellant: Yusuke Nakazawa, et al.

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated September 18, 2002.

Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$930.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

Respectfully submitted,
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